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**ON PETITION** 

This is a notice regarding your request for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 filed May 9, 2011.

On September 1, 1998, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held that 37 CFR 1.28(c) is the sole provision governing the time for correction of the erroneous payment of the issue fee as a small entity. See DH Technology v. Synergystex International, Inc. 154 F.3d 1333, 47 USPQ2d 1865 (Fed. Cir. Sept. 1, 1998).

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue applications under 37 CFR 1.56. 1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989). Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby ACCEPTED.

This patent is no longer entitled to small entity status. Accordingly, all future fees paid in this patent must be paid at the large entity rate.

It is not apparent whether the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent regarding this patent. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts.

Additionally, petitioner has submitted \$700.00 towards the required current \$755.00 deficiency submission fee, thus creating a \$55.00 shortage. This shortage will be charged to petitioner's deposit account as authorized May 9, 2011.

Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-7751.

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